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[For the Consumer Product Safety Commission statement of organization, see the *Code of Federal Regulations*, Title 16, Part 1000]

The Consumer Product Safety Commission protects the public against unreasonable risks of injury from consumer products; assists consumers in evaluating the comparative safety of consumer products; develops uniform safety standards for consumer products and minimizes conflicting State and local regulations; and promotes research and investigation into the causes and prevention of product-related deaths, illnesses, and injuries.

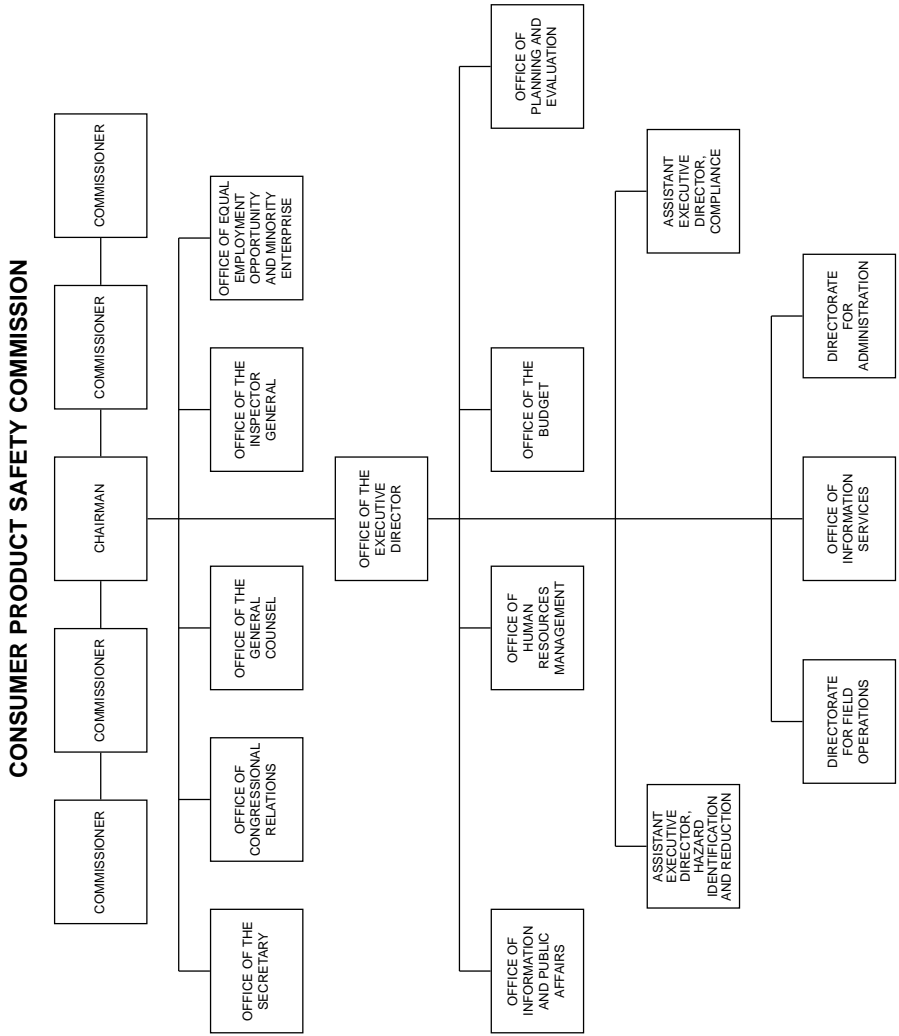
The Consumer Product Safety Commission is an independent Federal regulatory agency established by the Consumer Product Safety Act (15 U.S.C. 2051 *et seq.*). The Commission consists of five Commissioners, appointed by the President with the advice and consent of the Senate, one of whom is appointed Chairman.

In addition to the authority created by the Consumer Product Safety Act, the Commission has responsibility for implementing provisions of the Flammable Fabrics Act (15 U.S.C. 1191),

the Poison Prevention Packaging Act of 1970 (15 U.S.C. 1471), the Federal Hazardous Substances Act (15 U.S.C. 1261), and the act of August 2, 1956 (15 U.S.C. 1211), which prohibits the transportation of refrigerators without door safety devices.

Activities

To help protect the public from unreasonable risks of injury associated with consumer products, the Commission:



- requires manufacturers to report defects in products that could create substantial hazards;
- requires, where appropriate, corrective action with respect to specific substantially hazardous consumer products already in commerce;
- collects information on consumer product-related injuries and maintains a comprehensive Injury Information Clearinghouse;
- conducts research on consumer product hazards;
- encourages and assists in the development of voluntary standards related to the safety of consumer products;
- establishes, where appropriate, mandatory consumer product standards;
- bans, where appropriate, hazardous consumer products; and
- conducts outreach programs for consumers, industry, and local governments.

Offices

The Commission's headquarters is located at East West Towers, 4330 East West Highway, Bethesda, MD 20814. Regional offices are located in Chicago, IL; New York, NY; and San Francisco, CA. Field offices are maintained in various cities.

Sources of Information

Consumer Information The Commission operates a toll-free Consumer Product Safety Hotline, 800-638-CPSC; and a teletypewriter for the hearing-impaired, 800-638-8270 (or in Maryland only, 800-492-8140).

General Inquiries Information on Commission activities may be obtained from the Office of Information and Public Affairs, Consumer Product Safety Commission, Washington, DC 20207. Phone, 301-504-0580.

Reading Room A public information room is maintained at the Commission.

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